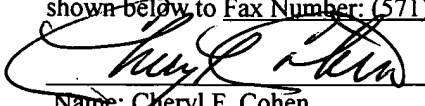




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Sir:

This Amendment is being submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed July 12, 2007 and Advisory Action mailed October 12, 2007. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listings of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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